



Idaho Crop & Livestock Producer News

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Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the September 2009 Quarterly Ag Survey. Acreage, yield, and production were reported for the U.S., Region and selected States.

This release is sent to survey participants in appreciation for their time spent responding to the survey. For more information contact us at nass-id@nass.usda.gov or at 1-800-691-9987. Thank you for reporting and your continued support.

Sincerely,

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Idaho's Yield for Small Grains Up from 2008

The average yield per acre for most small grains grown in Idaho are up from last year. The winter wheat yield, at 81.0 bushels per acre, is up 6.0 bushels from last year. Winter wheat production totals 56.7 million bushels from 700,000 harvested acres, down 6 percent from last year's 60.0 million bushels. The 2009 winter wheat production is estimated to be 72 percent white and 28 percent hard red. Spring wheat yield, at 77.0 bushels per acre, is up 5.0 bushels from a year ago. Idaho's spring wheat production totals 40.8 million bushels from 530,000 harvested acres, up 9 percent from 2008's 37.4 million bushels. The spring wheat crop is estimated to be 42 percent white and 58 percent hard red. Yield for durum wheat is estimated to be 79.0 bushels per acre, up 6.0 bushels from last year. Durum wheat production in Idaho totals 1.58 million bushels from 20,000 harvested acres, up 850,000 bushels from last year. All wheat production in Idaho is up 1 percent from 2008 to 99.1 million bushels. Barley yield is estimated at 95.0 bushels per acre, up 9.0 bushels from last year. Barley production totals 48.5 million bushels from 510,000 harvested acres, 3 percent less than last year's production of 49.9 million bushels. Idaho's oat production totals 1.95 million bushels from 25,000 harvested acres. Production is up 41 percent from last year.

Nationally, all wheat production totaled 2.22 billion bushels in 2009, up 2 percent from the August forecast but down 11 percent from 2008. Grain area is 50.1 million acres, down 10 percent from last year. The U.S. yield is 44.4 bushels per acre, down 0.5 bushel from last year. The levels of production and changes from last year by type are: winter wheat, 1.52 billion bushels, down 18 percent; other spring wheat, 588 million bushels, up 7 percent; Durum wheat, 110 million bushels, up 31 percent. Barley production is estimated at 227 million bushels, 10 percent above the August forecast but 5 percent below 2008. Average yield per acre, at 72.8 bushels, is up 7.0 bushels from August and 9.2 bushels from last year and is the highest yield on record since estimates began in 1866. Producers seeded 3.57 million acres for 2009, down 2 percent from June and down 16 percent from last year. This is the second lowest planted acreage on record. Harvested area, at 3.12 million acres, is down slightly from August and 17 percent from 2008. Oat production is estimated at 93.3 million bushels, 1 percent above the August forecast and up 5 percent from last year's record low production. Yield is estimated at a record high 67.6 bushels per acre, up 3.1 bushels from the last forecast and up 3.9 bushels from the previous year. Compared with last year, yields increased for most States in the western third of the country and for several Appalachian States. Harvested area, at 1.38 million acres, is 3 percent below August and 2 percent below last year. This is the smallest acreage harvested for grain on record, continuing a steady downward trend.

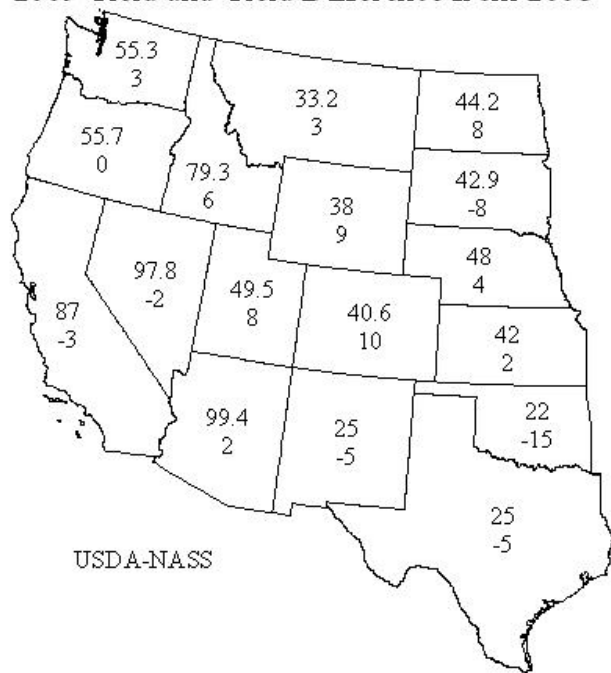
Idaho's September 1 wheat stocks in all positions totaled 77.8 million bushels, up 6 percent from the 73.2 million bushels in storage September 1, 2008. On-farm storage of 36.0 million bushels is up 16 percent from the 31.0 million bushels in storage a year ago. Off-farm stocks, of 41.8 million bushels, are down 1 percent from a year ago. Barley stocks in all positions September 1 totaled 48.8 million bushels, up 21 percent from last year's 40.3 million bushels. On-farm stocks totaled 29.0 million bushels, up 16 percent from a year ago when 25.0 million bushels were in storage. Off-farm stocks totaled 19.8 million bushels, up 30 percent from 2008's 15.3 million bushels.

Nationally, all wheat stocks in all positions September 1, 2009, totaled 2.22 billion bushels, up 19 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 840 million bushels, up 32 percent from last September. Off-farm stocks, at 1.38 billion bushels, are up 12 percent from a year ago. Barley stocks in all positions on September 1, 2009, totaled 239 million bushels, up 15 percent from September 1, 2008. On-farm stocks are estimated at 154 million bushels, 21 percent above a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 85.3 million bushels, are 4 percent above September 2008. Oats stored in all positions on September 1, 2009, totaled 128 million bushels, 8 percent above the stocks on September 1, 2008. Of the total stocks on hand, 54.5 million bushels are stored on farms, 3 percent higher than a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 74.0 million bushels, 12 percent above the previous year. Corn stocks in all positions on September 1, 2009, totaled 1.67 billion bushels, up 3 percent from September 1, 2008. Of the total stocks, 608 million bushels are stored on farms, up 22 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 1.07 million bushels, are down 5 percent from a year ago.

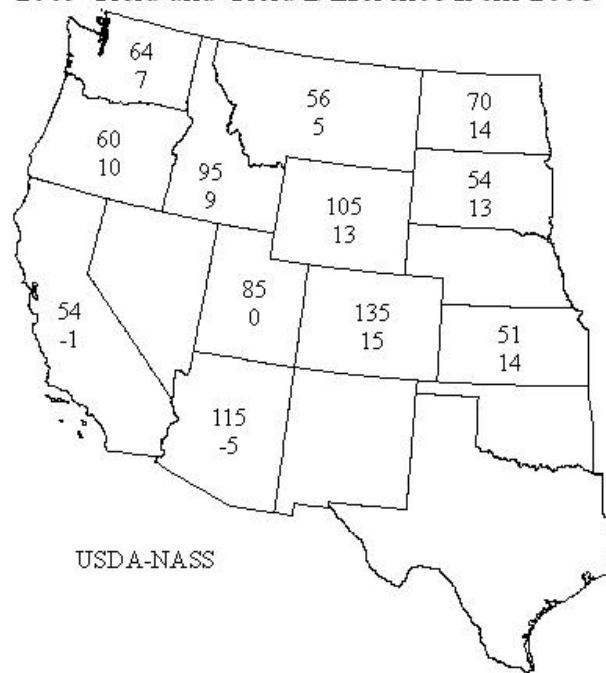
Harvested Acreage, Yield and Production, Idaho & U.S., 2008 and 2009

CROP	UNIT	HARVESTED ACREAGE		YIELD		PRODUCTION		2009 / 2008
		2008	2009	2008	2009	2008	2009	
		Thousand Acres				Thousand Bushels		
IDAHO:								
All Wheat	Bu.	1,330	1,250	73.8	79.3	98,170	99,090	101
Winter Wheat	Bu.	800	700	75.0	81.0	60,000	56,700	95
Spring Wheat	Bu.	520	530	72.0	77.0	37,440	40,810	109
Durum Wheat	Bu.	10	20	73.0	79.0	730	1,580	216
Oats	Bu.	20	25	69.0	78.0	1,380	1,950	141
Barley	Bu.	580	510	86.0	95.0	49,880	48,450	97
UNITED STATES:								
All Wheat	Bu.	55,699	50,058	44.9	44.4	2,499,164	2,220,156	89
Winter Wheat	Bu.	39,608	34,485	47.1	44.2	1,867,333	1,522,718	82
Spring Wheat	Bu.	13,517	13,055	40.5	45.0	548,004	587,361	107
Durum Wheat	Bu.	2,574	2,518	32.6	43.7	83,827	110,077	131
Oats	Bu.	1,400	1,379	63.7	67.6	89,135	93,276	105
Barley	Bu.	3,779	3,123	63.6	72.8	240,193	227,383	95

All Wheat Yield -- Selected States:
2009 Yield and Yield Difference from 2008



Barley Yield -- Selected States:
2009 Yield and Yield Difference from 2008



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